

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Goal: Make Michigan's People Healthier and Our Families Stronger

Strategies to Achieve Goal

- Increase the number of insured children and preserve existing health coverage for adults.
- Provide medical, mental health, substance abuse and long-term care services to low income children, families, the elderly, veterans and the disabled.
- Reduce the number of children living in poverty.
- Reduce the number of children in the child welfare system.
- Prolong life and protect the public health by promoting the State Surgeon General's
 "Prescription for a Healthier Michigan" to reduce obesity and prevent teen smoking.
- Ensure that Michigan's vulnerable citizens have access to prevention and early intervention services.
- Improve the delivery of health and human services by lowering overall costs, improving technology and streamlining the way work gets done.
- Improve Michigan's patient safety and health care by increasing the number of health care providers engaged in quality improvement programs.

Indicators of Success

- Fewer children living in poverty
- Fewer children placed in out-of-home care
- Increased percentage of children with health coverage
- Reduced cigarette usage among youth and adults
- Improved health indicators for Michigan residents
- Lower infant mortality rates
- Improved access to quality health care